

January 28, 2021



Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts
2020/2021

"Protect the Creation; Praise the Creator"

Happy Catholic Schools Week!

So, maybe the best gift of all for our Catholic School students was a day off on Monday!

Happy Catholic Schools Week to everyone! Since we have returned to the building we have embarked on a plethora of activities that not only celebrate our students but that also thank those who are support our school's endeavors, in particular and Catholic education, in general.

One of the works of service that the students are participating in this week is writing cards/letters to be used by Operation Gratitude. This is a non-profit organization whose mission is to serve deployed troops, veterans, 1st responders and others who serve our country by sending care packages and other items. The cards that the students create will be included with those packages.

Our connection with the organization was highlighted in the press release from the Diocese in advance of this week, and Mrs. Evans was interviewed for a local news channel about it all!



On Monday, February 8th, the students will all have a Zoom call with the CEO of Operation Gratitude, Kevin Schmiegel, Lieutenant Colonel, USMC (Ret.). This will be a wonderful opportunity for the students to hear how their works of charity have a direct impact on others.

If you would like to see a little bit about Operation Gratitude, click below.



We are very blessed to be a part of a parish where the school is valued. In coming to Mass on the weekends with my family, I am regularly approached by parishioners with whom in a "normal" year we would be sharing Friday masses. They ask about the children and the faculty and offer their words of encouragement and their prayers. We are very blessed.

We are very blessed to have this school community that has been alive and thriving for 55 years. Each day as I "smile and wave" in the morning car line I am reminded of the dedication of you, as parents for standing firm with us as we build and grow the faith of our children. We are very blessed.

We are very blessed to have the students in this building. I feel as though it cannot be said enough this year that this building came alive once again in August when the teachers returned followed by your smiling, energetic, joyful children. We are very blessed.



It is hard to believe that the liturgical calendar is passing as quickly as it is and that Ash Wednesday is just a couple of short weeks away.

All students will receive ashes on Wednesday, February 17th following the protocols as set out by the Church. Specifically this means that the priest will not touching the foreheads of the children, but instead will sprinkle the ashes on their heads.

If you have never connected with the programs available through Dynamic Catholic, I certainly recommend that you take a look at the "Best Lent Ever" program. Many of us here participated

in this program last year and I have signed up already for this year. The program will make use of the book *I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit* by Matthew Kelly. A link to the website is below.

Dynamic Catholic - Best Lent
Ever

A few reminders:

Monday, February 8th is an **NJHS sponsored charity dress down day** (see the flyer below!).

Monday, February 15th is a **NO school day**.

Wednesday, February 17th is **Ash Wednesday**.

Thursday, February 18th - **PTO Spirit Day**.

Monday, February 22 - **Saint Assembly** on St. Peter Claver

Wednesday, March 17 - Deadline for apply for **tuition assistance** through FACTS

-Maureen Ashby

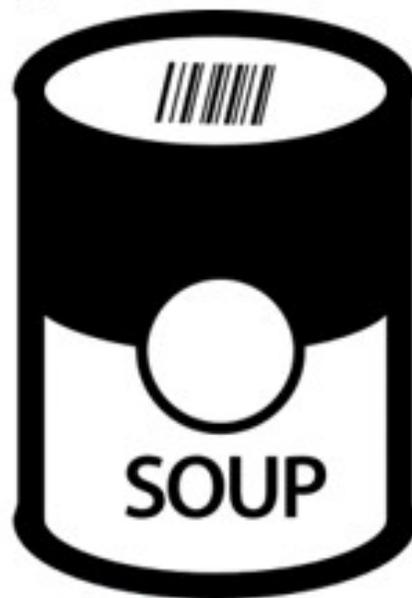
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**ALL DONATIONS WILL BENEFIT CATHOLIC
CHARITIES ST. LUCY PROJECT FOOD
WAREHOUSE**

SOUP - ER BOWL DRESS DOWN



On Monday, Febuary 8th, bring in cans of
soup as a donation to come to school
dressed in your favorite sports team's



5K 2021 Spirit Run T-shirt design contest

Protect the Creation, Praise the Creator

Go down in Holy Spirit School history by having your design chosen for the 2021 5K Spirit Run t-shirts.

Submit your design on 8 1/2" x 11" paper to the front office or to Mrs. Gibbons/Ms. Walker in Resource

Deadline for submission is end of school day of Friday, February 12.

**Design must include:
"Holy Spirit School 5K Spirit Run 2021"**

"Protect the Creation, Praise the Creator"

Only TWO colors and black counts as a color.

You name and grade on the back your design.

Design winner receives a free race entry and race t-Shirt!

Holy Spirit School's Annual Talent Showcase



SIGNUP / AUDITION FORM



When: March 4, 2021

Where: Holy Spirit Gym

Time: 3:15 – 5:30pm

Auditions/registrations are open to all students who want to perform in the show on May 1, 2021.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR:
SINGERS, ACTORS, JUGGLERS, MAGICIANS, MUSICIANS, COMEDIANS, MARTIAL ARTISTS,
DANCERS, CLOWNS**

***** ANY TYPE OF PERFORMANCE YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO *****

Performer Participation Form (for students): complete this if you wish to perform in the show. This slip is due ONE WEEK prior to the day of the auditions/registration. Everyone who signs up to perform will perform. More information will go out prior to the signups related to how the event will run to maintain the high safety standards of Holy Spirit.

PERFORMER PARTICIPATION FORM



Student's Name: _____

Performing with (if in a group) _____

Talent/Act: _____

Everyone who signs up to perform will perform. Please keep the act to 4 minutes. If you cannot make it on March 2 but want to perform, email Joe Terpenning (jterpenning@infinetech.org) to discuss. At this time the signups will be held live in the gym. This may change. Students will be asked to sit socially distant with masks on until they are called to review their act. Forms will not be available to fill out on the day of signups, and pens will not be provided. Pizza and drinks will not be provided this year for precautions so please send your student in with a snack to have during the signup event.

NOTES FOR AUDITION MONITORS:

TIME LENGTH: _____

SONG NAME: _____

STAGE NEEDS: _____

For Singers: Using a karaoke version of song or regular version: _____





Dental Supplies Drive



*February is National
Children's Dental Health Month!*

Please help us collect toothbrushes, toothpaste,
and floss in support of the
Spanish Catholic Center in Washington, DC.

Donations will be accepted:

- February 16-19th, during school hours
- February 20th from 4-7pm, at the
Roaming Coyote Food Truck Fundraiser
in the Holy Spirit School parking lot.

*(Roaming Coyote Preorders available beginning 2/14/21 at
<https://the-roaming-coyote.square.site/>)*

Thank you for your participation!

Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire

We continue to work on an App for the daily health screening. Students must continue to arrive at school each day with a paper copy of the completed form. We are asking for the paper copy for now as trying to manage emails from families at the start of each day is not workable or practical for the staff.

Parish Happenings!

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RESTORING ALL THINGS IN CHRIST THE KING

THE 2021 CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON
Mass and Lenten Reflection
FOR MEN

SATURDAY, MARCH 6
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

VICTORY CHRISTIAN RESSOURCES, INC.
1740 BUNNELL BLVD
WOODBRIDGE, VA 22191

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT:
ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG/MEN

THE 2021 CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON
MASS AND LENTEN REFLECTION FOR WOMEN

Chosen
From All Eternity
FOR THIS MOMENT IN TIME

SATURDAY, MARCH 13
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

VICTORY CHRISTIAN RESSOURCES, INC.
1740 BUNNELL BLVD
WOODBRIDGE, VA 22191

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT:
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Year of Saint Joseph
12 · 08 · 2020 · 12 · 08 · 2021

- To increase our love for this great saint -
 - To encourage us to imitate his intercession -
 - To imitate his virtues and his zeal -
- of POPE FRANCIS *Paterfamilias*

Saint Joseph <i>during the Year</i>	Selected Spiritual Readings
1 Dec 27, 2020 - Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph	1 Matthew 1:2
1 February 14, 2021 - World Marriage Sunday	1 Luke 1:2
1 March 2021 - Saint Joseph is customarily honored during the month of March	1 St. Bernardine of Siena - Sermon 2, de S. Joseph Hours, Office of Readings, Solemnity of Saint Joseph, vol. 2, pp. 1721-1723
1 Mar 19, 2021 - Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	1 Leo XIII - Encyclical Letter Quamquam Pluribus
1 May 1, 2021 - Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker	1 Saint Paul VI - Address "Maestri", 3 Jan 1964 Hours, Office of Readings, Feast of the Holy Family, vol. 1, pp. 426-428
1 June 20, 2021 - Father's Day	1 Saint John Paul II - Apostolic Exhortation Redemptio Caritas
1 August 21, 2021 - Our Lady of Knock	1 Pope Francis - Homily for the Mass for the Beginning of the Petrine Ministry, 19 Mar 2013
1 November 1, 2021 - Solemnity of All Saints	1 Pope Francis - Apostolic Letter Patris Corde



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2020 - Year of Saint Joseph - 2021

Plenary Indulgences

A plenary indulgence (the remission of temporal punishment due to sin) is granted to the faithful who, with a soul detached from any sin, fulfill the usual conditions of sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions and who, during the Year of Saint Joseph...

- 1 Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, or take part in a Spiritual Retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph.
- 1 Following St. Joseph's example, perform a spiritual work of mercy or corporal work of mercy.
- 1 Recite the Holy Rosary as a family or as an engaged couple.
- 1 Entrust your daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph and invoke the intercession of St. Joseph so that those seeking work can find dignifying work.
- 1 Recite the Litany to St. Joseph for the persecuted Church *intra* and *ad extra* and for the relief of all Christians suffering all forms of persecution.
- 1 Recite any legitimately approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph on the Feast of the Holy Family, on March 19th, on May 1st, on the 19th of each month and every Wednesday.

For the Sick, Hospitalized, and Homebound
Amid the ongoing Covid-19 health crisis, the gift of the plenary indulgence is also extended to the sick, the elderly, the dying and all those who for legitimate reasons are unable to leave their homes. They too can obtain the plenary indulgences if they are detached from any sin and have the intention of fulfilling, as soon as possible, the three usual conditions and recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, offering to God the pains and hardships of their lives.

Litany of Saint Joseph

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy
God our Father in heaven
God the Son, Redeemer of the world
God the Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, one God
Holy Mary
Saint Joseph
Noble son of the House of David
Light of patriarchs
Husband of the Mother of God
Guardian of the Virgin
Foster father of the Son of God
Faithful guardian of Christ
Head of the holy family
Joseph, chaste and just
Joseph, prudent and brave
Joseph, obedient and loyal
Pattern of patience
Lover of poverty
Model of workers
Example to parents
Guardian of virgins
Pillar of family life
Comfort of the troubled
Hope of the sick
Patron of the dying
Terror of evil spirits
Protector of the Church
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world
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Let us pray: God, in your infinite wisdom and love you chose Joseph to be the husband of Mary, the mother of your Son. May we have the help of his prayers in heaven and enjoy his protection on earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For more ways to observe the Year of Saint Joseph, including prayers, devotions, and additional resources, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/YearofStJoseph.

2021 All Saints Car Raffle

you could win!



Five 2021 Vehicles plus
20 cash prize drawings!



*When you buy a ticket, the parish
gets a cut either way!*



How does my purchase help?

This year's raffle will be used for special furnishings and needs: our new narthex to be built this year, a welcome desk, kitchen service items, artwork and more.

Many Holy Spirit winners over the years cars and cash!!

Only \$5/ticket!

For raffle ticket purchases, visit
www.holyspiritchurch.us/carraffle2021
Or contact Tom Kennedy at tfkinva@aol.com

Community Happenings!

Boy Scout
MULCH

ORDER NOW!
Delivery Date, Saturday, March 27

www.annandale50.mytroop.us

HOLY Spirit
CATHOLIC CHURCH

SCOUT SUNDAY



February 7, 2021

Calling all Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, American Heritage Girls, and Trail Life Scouts!

This Sunday, February 7th, Scouts all over the country will be observing Scout Sunday. Be sure to attend services at your place of worship in uniform (or wear your uniform as you participate online) to celebrate and be recognized for your commitment to serving God, your nation, and others at all times.



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "February 4, 2021" on the website.

For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.



Family
Folder

School Flyers:

1. 5K Spirit Run T-shirt Contest flyer
2. PTO Annual Talent Showcase Signup/Audition flyer
3. Dental Supplies Collection flyer

Parish Flyers:

1. Men's Lenten Day of Reflection flyer
2. Women's Lenten Day of Reflection flyer
3. Year of St. Joseph flyer Part I
4. Year of St. Joseph flyer Part II
5. Car raffle flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Boy Scout Mulch Sale
2. Scout Sunday flyer